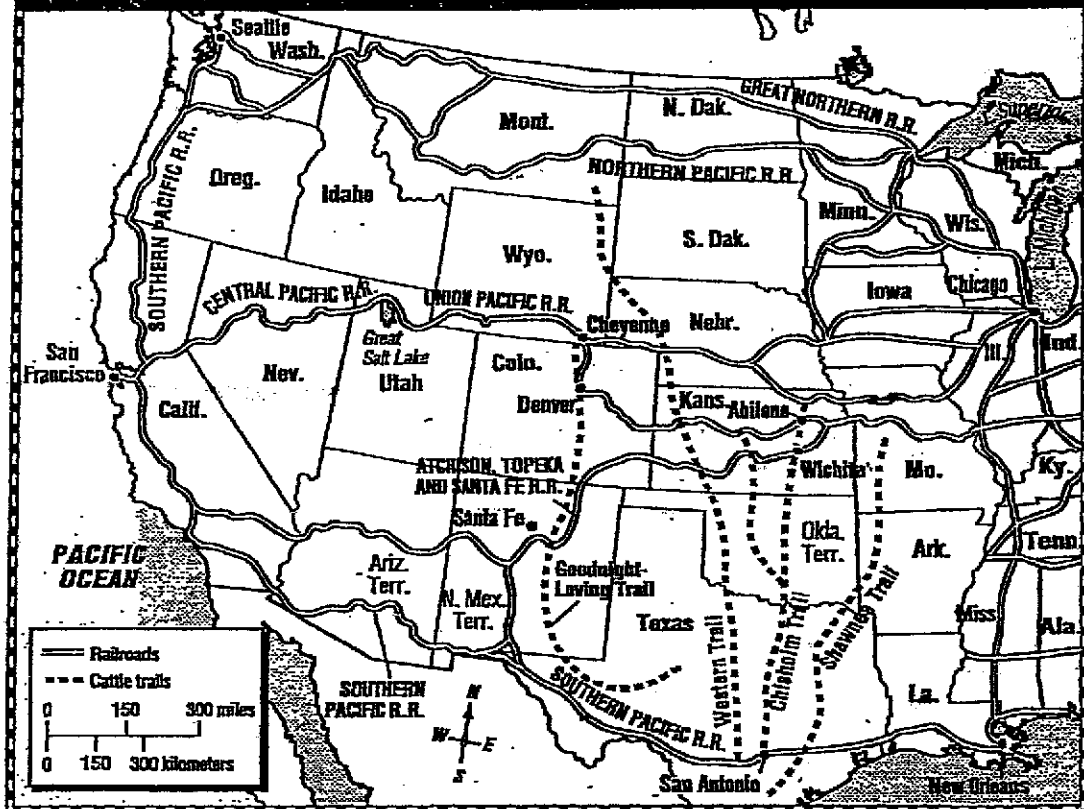


Western Railroads and Cattle Trails, 1860-1895



*** CIRCLED #s REQUIRE A LITTLE MORE THOUGHT... WRITE YOUR ANSWERS BELOW.**
*** USE THE RAILROAD MAP POSTED ON HOMEWORK LINK TO ANSWER 1-8.**

- ① If we assume that Wichita is halfway between San Francisco & NYC, approximately how many days would it take you to travel from NYC to Wichita?
- ② Why couldn't railroads be used to transfer meat in the 1850's?
- ③ How many towns would you go through if you traveled from St. Louis to Virginia City if you took the quickest way there?
- 4) Which half of the U.S. had the most interconnections...the eastern or western half?
- 5) What 5 towns do not lie on a railroad route?
- 6) Which city has the most railroads coming in & out of it?
- 7) Why would it have been more difficult to build the Union Pacific Railroad vs. the Great Northern Railroad?
- ⑧ If we assume it took exactly 2 days to get from Chicago to Sioux City, what rate of speed would you be traveling in terms of mph? (round answer to the nearest tenth)

*** Use the map above to answer the following questions.**

- 9) All the cattle trails start in what state?
- 10) Which cattle trail probably brought cattle to miners in Colorado & Wyoming?
- ⑪ Why do several railroads end at the western boundary of Mississippi?
- 12) Which 2 states had no railroads passing through it?